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Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the aims and objectives of the Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan along with the total outlay and funds allocated under this Abhiyan, State-wise;

(b) whether the Abhiyan will cover the entire rural areas of the country and if not, whether the programme would be extended to the entire rural areas of the country in future; and

(c) the time frame fixed for implementation of the Abhiyan?

Answer

(a): The main objective of the "Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDISHA)" is to make six crore rural households, across States/UTs, digitally literate, reaching to around 40% of rural households. The total outlay of the Scheme is Rs. 2,351.38 Crore(approx.). It will be implemented as a Central Sector Scheme by the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology through an implementing agency namely CSC e-Governance Services India Limited, with active collaboration of all the State Governments and UT Administrations. The tentative state-wise funds requirement based on the expenses towards training fee, certification/assessment fee and programme management is at Annexure.

(b): The Scheme is applicable for rural areas of the country. To ensure equitable geographical coverage across the country, a Gram Panchayat centric approach would be adopted with targets being assigned and monitored for each of the around 2.50 lakh Gram Panchayats. On an average a target of 200-300 beneficiaries per Gram Panchayat is envisaged. Actual target for the Gram Panchayat would be decided by the District e-Governance Society (DeGS) chaired by the District Magistrate, keeping in view the size of district, population, local requirements, etc.

(c): The PMGDISHA scheme will be completed by 31st March 2019.

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Annexure

Indicative State/UT-wise funds requirement under Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan

S.No.	States/UTs	Indicative fund requirement (Rs. in crore)
1	Uttar Pradesh	437.79
2	Bihar	259.83
3	West Bengal	175.61
4	Maharashtra	173.73
5	Madhya Pradesh	148.29
6	Rajasthan	145.47
7	Karnataka	106.01
8	Tamil Nadu	104.99
9	Orissa	98.64
10	Gujarat	97.86
11	Andhra Pradesh	79.48
12	Telangana	79.48
13	Assam	75.6
14	Jharkhand	70.66
15	Chhattisgarh	55.33
16	Kerala	49.26
17	Punjab	48.87
18	Haryana	46.67
19	Jammu & Kashmir	25.79
20	Uttarakhand	19.83

21 Himachal Pradesh 17.39
22 Tripura 7.64
23 Meghalaya 6.7
24 Manipur 5.37
25 Nagaland 3.96
26 Arunachal Pradesh 3.02
27 Goa 1.57
28 Mizoram 1.49
29 Sikkim 1.29
30 NCT of Delhi 1.17
31 Pondicherry 1.1
32 Andaman & Nicobar Islands 0.71
33 Dadra & Nagar Haveli 0.51
34 Daman & Diu 0.15
35 Chandigarh 0.08
36 Lakshadweep 0.04
Total Rs, 2351.38
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